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16 July - Winter QRP Sprint
 24 July - Boland ARC 40 Metre Sprint
 27 July - SARL 80 m Club Contest, SSB



HAMFEST in NorthWest

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2011

Find the rules in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual

The Klerksdorp ARC will be running Hamfest 2011 on 2 July at the Zerabi Lodge (S26 47 18.2 E26 55 15.8, just off the N12) between Klerksdorp and Potchefstroom. The event starts at 08:00 and includes a flea market, some lectures and the HABEX balloon launch.

The theme for HAMFEST in Northwest 2011 this year is to try and get the young people of today away from the couches and away from the TV sets and to show them what Amateur Radio is all about. The club has support from the Electronics department of the University Of North West to achieve one of its goals this year. Amateur Radio has the unique opportunity to promote friendships not only between countries but also between ourselves! Now is the best of times to promote and recruit new members to the hobby.

Urgent Notice to all South African Amateur Licensees

While this announcement has been covered in previous SARL News bulletins and it is available on the web, the SARL is still receiving calls from radio amateurs who find that their call sign has been allocated to another person.

Be Surprised by the World of Amateur Radio





We therefore repeat the earlier announcement, "ICASA has cancelled over 34 000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days. This includes all amateur radio licenses that are unpaid. Check that you have paid your license and if you do not have a valid printed license or an official receipt call ICASA at 011 566 3313 or 011 566 3319 between 08:30 - 16:00 Monday - Friday. PLEASE HAVE YOUR LICENSE NUMBER HANDY. If your amateur license was cancelled, call now and ICASA will re-instate it if you can prove payment. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license.

Gear up for the Annual SARL HF Contests

On Sunday 7 August, the annual SARL HF contest will take place. Get ready now to take part in this annual premier event. This is followed by the SARL CW HF contest on Sunday 28 August. Trophies are awarded to winners in various categories of both contests. Some of the trophies have a long history. It will be prestigious to have your name engraved on the base of the trophy and to receive the trophy and miniature shield at the annual awards banquet. Various lucky draw prizes will be awarded to each person entering a log with 10 or more contacts.

Readers are also reminded of various other contests coming up. The third leg of the QRP contest, the Winter QRP Contest, will be held on Saturday 16 July followed by the Boland ARC 40 Metre Sprint on Sunday 24 July and the fourth leg of the SARL 80 metre Club Contest on Wednesday 27 July. This will be a SSB contest.

On Tuesday 9 August (after breakfast in bed), the SARL YL Sprint takes place. The winning YL will receive a large bouquet of flowers and chocolates. There will also be a lucky draw for YLs who submit a log. For those who are not aware, 9 August is National Women's Day. On Sunday 21 August the third leg of the SARL Digital contest will be run.

The SARL HF and Contest Manager, Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, said, "it would nice to hear all the 'new amateurs' taking part in these contests. It is an enjoyable experience and is a good way of gaining confidence and making contacts for the various awards that are available. You have all done the hard work to pass the exam, so come and have some fun on the air."

Apart from the Lucky Draw prizes, it has been decided to also include some complimentary 1 year membership subscriptions to non-SARL members who submit logs. Remember to stand a chance of winning a prize, you need to submit a log to the contest committee after each contest - it is "The Right Thing to Do"

The IARU HF World Championship - Coming To a Radio near You

Radiosport fans are gearing up for the summer's/winter's biggest HF competition: the IARU HF World Championship. This 24-hour long contest is the highlight of the summer/winter HF contesting season, affording plenty of opportunities to work DX from all around the globe on

July 2011

30 June to 10 July - National Arts Festival, Grahamstown

1 - SARL subscriptions due

2 - Hamfest in Northwest, Klerksdorp ARC

2 - Durban July Horse Race

2 and 3 - DL-DX RTTY Contest

3 - DARC 10-Metre Digital Contest

9 and 10 - IARU HF World Championship

16 - Winter QRP Sprint; PIC Course, Cape Town; Advanced Home Construction, Cape Town

17 Delville Wood Sunday

16 and 17 - North American RTTY QSO Party

16 and 17 - CQ Worldwide VHF Contest

18 July - Nelson Mandela's birthday; Schools open

24 - Boland ARC 40 Metre Sprint

27 - SARL 80 m Club Contest, SSB

30 - RTA, Durban

30 and 31 - RSGB IOTA Contest





CW and SSB, as well as make QSOs with many IARU officials and Member-Society club stations.

"The IARU HF World Championship is one of Radiosport's unique events," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "It's the only major contest that uses International Telecommunication Union (ITU) zones as part of the exchange, and the only contest that gives special multiplier status for IARU Member-Society stations and IARU officials."

The IARU HF World Championship runs from 12:00 UTC Saturday 9 July to 12:00 UTC Sunday 10 July. Read more here www.arrl.org/news/the-iaru-hf-world-championship-coming-to-a-radio-near-you.

Text message alerts boost 'ham' radio contacts

Radio amateurs now have a helping hand in their quest for contacting rare or distant radio stations.

'DX Station' is an innovative SMS text message service that alerts radio amateurs when the sought-after radio station's signal is spotted on the radio dial.

In this internet age, the radio amateur hobby is still very popular, with millions of licensed 'hams' around the world. Many of them operate on the shortwave bands, where it is possible with relatively simple equipment to contact radio amateurs in distant countries.

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) offers a range of awards and certificates for amateurs who succeed in contacting other hams in more than 100 countries. Those who achieve contacts with every country are eligible to join the coveted 'Honour Roll' - an achievement which can take decades of hard effort to obtain. Awards are also offered by the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) for contact with ham stations on islands.

To assist in tracking down those elusive radio signals from far-flung corners of the globe, DX Station operates a network of automated radio receivers, which constantly monitor the radio amateur bands for sought-after stations, and then instantly sends a text message alert to those hams who have indicated their interest in contacting that particular 'DX' station.

The use of real-time text messages gives subscribers to DX Station a competitive advantage, since they can hopefully contact the distant radio station before their colleagues join the fray. Since thousands of hams may be seeking contact with a single amateur radio station, the resulting cacophony of calling stations can hopefully be avoided by being 'first to know' that the rare station is on the air.

DX Station cannot guarantee that the radio amateur will be able to contact the distant station - that is down to radio signal propagation and the efficiency of antennas and transceivers of both calling and receiving radio station. However, it can certainly put the canny radio amateur ahead of the crowd!

The DX Station text messaging service can be used on more than 800 mobile networks worldwide, and Paypal or credit card easily pays the low monthly subscription fee. These fees, which include a quota of text message credits, are used to maintain the network of automated radio receivers that the DX Station service relies upon for its operation.

A reduced fee trial is offered for the first month of subscription. Alert profiles are managed via a user-friendly interface on the service web site at www.dxstation.com
Contact Details - Website: www.dxstation.com and E-mail : qso@dxstation.com

VLF DX reception 2 404 km on 8,97 kHz

Roger, G3XBM, reports that DK7FC/P, transmitting in the 9 kHz band, was received 2 404 km away in Iceland. On the GQRP Yahoo Group he writes, "Last weekend saw both DK7FC





and DF6NM transmitting with <100 mW ERP on VLF. Their signals were successfully received by many stations across Europe with best DX for DK7FC/P being 2 404 km to Iceland.

Both stations described their activity and results in brief reports, which you can find via links at <https://sites.google.com/site/sub9khz/news>.

Experimental amateur radio is VERY much alive at both extremes of the spectrum (VLF and light beam).

G3XBM Videos <http://www.youtube.com/user/G3XBM>

G3XBM Blog <http://g3xbm-grp.blogspot.com/>

G3XBM QRP Website <http://www.g3xbm.co.uk/>

9 kHz Receiving Equipment

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/march2010/9khz_receiving_equipment.htm

QSLogBook is live!

Press release

QSLogBook goes live! The Social Networking site for Amateur Radio Enthusiasts QSLogBook is the next niche social network, geared towards the Amateur Radio World.

QSLogBook was launched in February of 2011 as a website-based social networking niche. It allows users to create a profile. From there, they can view the profiles of other users, send messages to other users and join groups that are based on common interests or other factors. As well, users can also post classified ads.

The name QSLogBook reflects the fact that the site is intended for use by amateur radio operators. It acts as a way for them to exchange QSL cards as a way to open a two-way conversation between operators. As part of their profile, users can post a QSL card that can be personalised with their image and information in much the same way that a paper QSL card would have been used in the past.

Background. Broadcasters have been using QSL cards as a way to confirm two-way radio communication for years. The cards would often contain a user's call sign as well as information on or images of the amateur radio operators. Exchanging cards was often a problem especially in areas where postal service was unreliable. Large companies would be able to send out massive numbers of cards but for smaller operators, this was much more difficult.

While it was possible for individuals to send out QSL cards to local amateur radio clubs, it was not guaranteed that the members would be able to receive them especially if there were no local clubs to join. As well, it was often difficult to send out records of individual transactions and so postal QSL card distribution was an imperfect solution that could be easily corrected using a social networking site.

As a result, site founder Don Dubuque wanted to create a website that would make it easier for QSL operators and amateur radio operators to communicate and exchange information with one another.

Website. QSLogBook is not the only site that has been set up for HAM radio operators but it has advantages over other sites such as Hamradiotube or HamWave . Other sites such as those listed provide specific information either for an individual club or for HAM radio news and information in general. While QSLogbook does allow users to post news and information it is a site that is mainly set up to allow users from around the world to communicate and to send each other frequencies and call sign information.

There are a number of tools that make social networking easier when using QSLogBook. Not only can users view their contacts (called "friends"), they can also see contacts that are linked to their friends. In this way, it is possible for users to see their entire extended social network. Another feature allows users to post GMaps of their current location as well as blogs and other information that may be of interest to other users. The website does not cost any-





thing in order to become a member. There is also a chat function, which allows users to communicate directly with one another rather than through messages. Unlike other social networking sites, it is possible to communicate with users who have not been added as friends.

The look of a user's profile can be customised although a person's real name needs to be used in order to create a profile. This ability to change the look of a profile makes it different than social networking sites such as Facebook which requires users to stick with a specific style of profile.

The site generates revenue through the sales of advertising although at present the advertising is mainly related to ham radio and related topics.

New ham radio call book - <http://www.hamqth.com>

Petr, OK2CQR, says, "I have created new free ham radio call book - <http://www.hamqth.com>. Since the owner of one popular server decided to hide all addresses until you are registered, I decide to write my own.

You can also register to our server, edit or add your own address, write some biography details, put photos here, etc. What is unique, you can choose if your address or other contact details will be shown also to unregistered users. It is your choice, not my. I will not hide your address or any details. Only you can do that.

Now call book includes only data widely available on the Internet for free. I have imported whole USA FCC database, Italian, T7, OK and VE call book.

If you want to see an example how it looks like, here is my profile <http://hamqth.com/search.php?callsign=ok2cqr>. I hope, you will like The HamQTH.com call book and use it very often.

African DX

Kenya, 5Z. Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Kenya between 20 November and 3 December. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160 - 10 metres using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is the Diani Beach on the coastline of Kenyanear Mombasa. QSL via his home call sign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more details and updates, visit <http://www.dl7df.com/5z/index.html>

Senegal, 6V. Seb, F8IJV, will once again be active as 6V7Q from Le Calao resort in Senegal between 22 October and 11 November. Activity will be on 160 - 6 metres, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW too. He plans to take an Acom 1011 amplifier with him this time. Seb will also be active during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (29 and 30 October). QSL via his home call sign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

Nigeria, 5N. Valery, 5N6/YL2SW, is back in Nigeria since 16 June and will stay there until 15 July. Besides working on CW and SSB, he also wants to try RTTY. Valery has a very unstable power grid so it is not unusual that he disappears right in a QSO. Please send your QSLs via bureau or direct to his home call. Russian stations should send their QSL via RV3MQ.

Malawi. Explorer Scouts on the Scottish Scout "New Horizons" Expedition will carry out practical development work at the Makwawa National Scout Camp (WW Loc. KH74QR), Makwawa, Malawi, where Malcolm, GM3TAL, will operate 7Q7MH during July 2011. Although not a dxpedition as such, look for activity on the upper HF bands (and possibly 50 MHz), with SSB and CW. The





team will arrive on 1 July and depart on 25. This will be a "field day" under canvas - no towers or comfortable resort style shacks and no Internet! QSL via GM3TAL. Further details will be available soon at www.7q7mh.org/

African Islands on the Air

Madagascar, 5R. Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between 15 November and 17 December. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20 - 10 metres. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home call sign. View pictures of his last trips at <http://f6kbb.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm>

Special Event

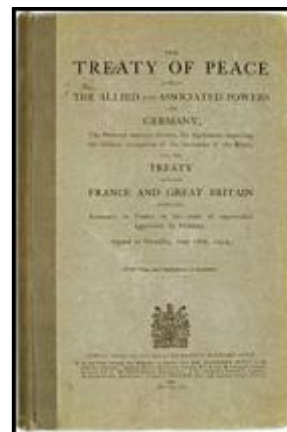
England. Phil, G3SWH, will be active on CW only using the special call sign MORSE (Mike Zero Romeo Sierra Echo) over the weekend of 2 and 3 July. Activity will be on all bands from 80 - 10 metres. All QSOs are welcome. There is more information available at <http://www.mOrse.org>. Look for the logs to be uploaded to LoTW after the operation.

France. For the start and first stage of the 98th cycling race The Tour de France, the Vendée area radio amateurs (West France), will be active as TM98TF, between 1 and 14 July 2011. Operations will be on all bands HF and maybe more; modes, CW, SSB and Digital. QSL via F6KUF, RC Vendéen, either direct or bureau.

History This Week

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW and Dennis, ZS4BS. The week starting Monday 28 June 2011.

- 1847 - New York and Boston linked by telegraph wires
- 1847 - First US postage stamps go on sale in New York City, the 5c Franklin and 10c Washington stamps
- 1900 - Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin first airship LZ-1, flies.
- 1914 - Assassination of Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife. This leads to the start of WW I
- 1919 - Treaty of Versailles ending WW I signed
- 1929 - First colour TV demo - New York City
- 1936 - Empire State Building emanates high definition TV-343 lines
- 1948 - Transistor as a substitute for Radio tubes announced (Bell Labs)
- 1961 - Princess Diana born - 1 July 1961
- 1987 - Two men became first hot-air balloon travellers to cross the Atlantic.



Contest Calendar

This week's contests compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 27 June to 4 July 2011.

RAC Canada Day Contest
00:00 - 23:59 UTC 1 July

Mode: CW, Phone
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m





Classes: Single Op All Band - low or high; Single Op All Band CW; Single Op All Band Phone; Single Op QRP; Single Op Single Band; Single Op Single Band QRP; Multi-Single - low or high; Multi-Multi

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: VE: RS(T) and province/territory; non-VE: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 2 points per QSO with non-VE stations; 10 points per QSO with VE stations; 20 points per QSO with RAC stations

Multipliers: Each VE province/territory once per band per mode

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 31 July 2011

E-mail logs to: canadaday@rac.ca

Mail logs to: Radio Amateurs of Canada, 720 Belfast Road, Suite 217, Ottawa, Ontario K1G 0Z5, Canada

Find rules at:

<http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2011%20Canada%20Day%20Rules-Entry%20Form.pdf>

Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest

00:00 UTC 2 July to 23:59 UTC 3 July

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - CW, SSB or mixed; Single Op Single Band - CW, SSB or mixed; Multi-Single; SWL

Exchange: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 3 points per QSO with different country, same continent; 5 points per QSO with different continent

Multipliers: Each Venezuelan call area and each DXCC country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 31 August 2011

E-mail logs to: contestyv@cantv.net

Mail logs to: Radio Club Venezolano, Concurso Independencia de Venezuela, PO Box 20285, Caracas 1020-A, Venezuela

Find rules at:

<http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/rules.htm>

WLOTA Contest

06:00 UTC 2 July to 12:00 UTC 3 July

Mode: CW, SSB, Digital

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Lighthouse 6 Hrs; Lighthouse 30 Hrs; Single Op; Multi-Op; SWL

Exchange: Lighthouse: RS(T), QSO no and LH Ref; Non-lighthouse: RS(T), QSO no

Work stations: Once per mode per band

QSO Points: 3 point per QSO with same continent; 5 points per QSO with different continents; 15 points per QSO with lighthouse

Multipliers: Each lighthouse reference once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 1 August 2011

E-mail logs to: contest11@wlot.com

Mail logs to: WLH Award, 18 Allee Roch-Bihen, 44510 Le Pouliguen, France

Find rules at:

<http://www.wlota.com/rulec.htm>

DL-DX RTTY Contest

11:00 UTC 2 July to 10:59 UTC 3 July

Mode: RTTY, PSK31, PSK63

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op Multi-Band Single Radio; Single Op Multi-Band 6 Hrs Single Radio; Single Op Multi-Band Dipole Single Radio; Single Op Multi-Band Dipole 6 Hrs Single Radio; Single Op Multi-Band; Multi-Single; Multi-Multi

Exchange: RST and QSO no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with same country; 10 points per QSO with different country same continent; 15 points per QSO with different continent; EU Stations: Add 3 QSO points for QSO with DL station; non-EU Stations: Add 5 QSO points for QSO with DL station

Multipliers: Each DXCC country once per band; Each VK, VE, JA and W call area once per band





Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 10 August 2011

E-mail logs to: logs@drcg.de

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=24&Itemid=36&lang=en

Original QRP Contest

15:00 UTC 2 July to 15:00 UTC 3 July

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op - VLP, QRP or MP - Handmade or Open

Max operating hours: 15 hours

Max power: VLP: 1 W; QRP: 5 W; MP: 20 W

Exchange: RST and serial no and "/" and Power category

QSO with station that does not submit log: 1 point; 15% bonus for use of TR/TRX assembled from kit; 30% bonus for use of unique handmade TR/TRX

Multipliers: DXCC Countries: 2 mult points if station submits log, 1 mult point if no log

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mult points

Submit logs by: 31 July 2011

E-mail logs to: qrpcc@qrpcc.de

Mail logs to: Lutz Gutheil, DL1RNN, Bergstrasse 17, D-38446 Wolfsburg, Germany

Find rules at:

<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/qqrpr.html>

PODXS 070 Club 40 m Firecracker Sprint:

20:00 local 2 July to 02:00 local 3 July

Mode: PSK31

Bands: 40 m Only

Classes: QRP; Low Power; Medium Power

Max power: Medium Power: 100 watts; Low Power: 50 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: RST and state, province or country

QSO Points: 1 point/QSO

Multipliers: Each state, province and DXCC country once only

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 2 August 2011

E-mail logs to: lowbandsprints@k9vic.net

Mail logs to: Eric Dallmann, K9VIC, 15707 S. River Rd., Plainfield, IL 60544, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.podxs070.com/40-meter-firecracker-sprint>

DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest

11:00 - 17:00 UTC 3 July

Mode: RTTY, Amtor, Clover, PSK31, Pactor

Bands: 10 m Only

Classes: Single Op; SWL

Exchange: RST and serial no

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each WAE/DCXX area; Each W/VE call area

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 18 July 2011

E-mail logs to: do1npf@darc.de

Mail logs to: Peter Frank, DO1NPF, Postfach 11 19, 90515 Altdorf, Germany

Find rules at:

<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teilnahmebedingungen/>

10-10 International Spirit of 76 QSO Party

00:01 UTC 4 July to 24:00 UTC 10 July

Mode: CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY, FM, AM

Bands: 10 m Only

Classes: Individual; Club; QRP

Max power: non-QRP: >5 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Name, state, province or country and 10-10 number

Work stations: Once per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with a non-member; 2 points per QSO with a 10-10 member

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 25 July 2011

E-mail logs to:

tentencontest@roadrunner.com

Mail logs to: Dan Morris, KZ3T, 131 Valencia Ln, Statesville, NC 28265, USA





Find rules at:

<http://ten-ten.org/Forms/spirit.pdf>

RSGB 80 m Club Championship, CW

19:00 - 20:30 UTC 4 July

Mode: CW

Bands: 80 m Only

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RST and serial no

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 11 July 2011

Upload log at:

<http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mc.c.shtml>

MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint

23:00 UTC 4 July to 03:00 UTC 5 July

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: less 250 mW; 250 mW - 1 W; 1 - 5 W; greater 5 W

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power output

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with members;

2 points per QSO with non-member W/VE stations; 4 points per QSO with non-member DX stations

Multipliers: Each state, province or country, once per band; Bonus: multiply total points by 1.25 if xmtr or receiver is homebrew; Bonus: multiply total points by 1.5 if both xmtr and receiver are homebrew

Score Calculation: Total score = bonus multiplier x total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 3 August 2011

E-mail logs to: n8xx@arrl.org

Mail logs to: Hank Greeb, N8XX, 5727 11 Mile Rd NE, Rockford, MI 49341, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.qsl.net/migrpclub/contest.html>

ARS Spartan Sprint

01:00 - 03:00 UTC 5 July

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Skinny; Tubby

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and Power

Work stations: Once per band

Submit logs by: 7 July 2011

E-mail logs to: spartansprint@yahoo.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://adventure-ra-dio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules

Next Week's Contests

10-10 Int. Spirit of 76 QSO Party, 00:01 UTC 4 July to 24:00 UTC 10 July

MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint, 23:00 UTC 4 July to 03:00 UTC 5 July

ARS Spartan Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 5 July

QRP Fox Hunt, 01:00 - 02:30 UTC 8 July

FISTS Summer Sprint, 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 9 July

IARU HF World Championship, 12:00 UTC 9 July to 12:00 UTC 10 July

SKCC Weekend Sprint, 00:00 - 24:00 UTC 10 July

ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint, 20:00 - 23:59 UTC 10 July

NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint, 18:00 - 20:00 UTC 11 July

DX Code of Conduct





I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.
 I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.
 I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.
 I will not interfere with the DX station or anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.
 I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.
 I will always send my full call sign.
 I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.
 I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.
 I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.
 I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.
 When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it in correctly.
 I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.
 I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

<http://www.dx-code.org/publications.htm>

Items used with acknowledgement to The ARRL Letter, Amateur Radio Newsline, OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX Bulletin, DXNL Bulletin, ARRL DX News, WIA-News, the RSGB News, Southgate ARC and Pete's DX Newsdesk.

Newsletter editors are most welcome to use material from HF Happenings, just remember to acknowledge the source (which could be any one of the names mentioned above). HF Happenings can be provided in MS Word format.

SA Radio League News Bulletins

SARL News

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)		Target Area	Language
06:15 / 08:15 *	7 066	From Pretoria	Southern Africa	Afrikaans
06:30 / 08:30 *	7 066		Southern Africa	English
Various 2 metre and 70 cm repeaters and Echolink country wide				

Amateur Radio Today

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)		Target Area	Language
08:00 - 09:00 /	7 082	From Durban	Southern Africa	English
10:00 - 11:00 *	Various 2 metre and 70 cm repeaters and Echolink country wide			

Amateur Radio Today shortwave broadcast information.

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)	Tx kW	Target Area	Language
08:00 - 09:00 /	7 205	100	Southern Africa	English
10:00 - 11:00 *	17 570	250	East Africa	English
16:30 - 17:30 /	3 230	100	Southern Africa	English
18:30 - 19:30 **				

* Sunday ** Monday

